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FILIERE MALADIES RARES ENDOCRINIENNES

Criblage de molécules repositionnables ou innovantes sur des modèles cellulaires dérivés de cellules souches pluripotentes

I-STEM

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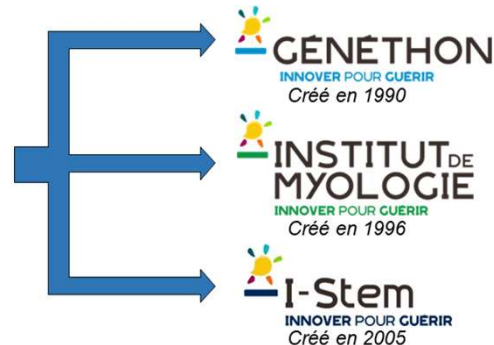
I-STEM: Institut des cellules Souches pour le Traitement et l'Étude des maladies Monogéniques

Born in 2005, I-STEM is the result of the combination of two different and independent entities: a Joint Research Unit of Inserm and the University of Evry Val d'Essonne (UMR 861) and the Centre d'Etude des Cellules Souches (CECS) itself supported by the AFM-Telethon.

Collaboration



Armed arms of





I-STEM Strategies

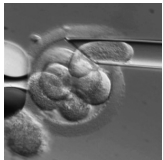
Human embryonic Stem Cell



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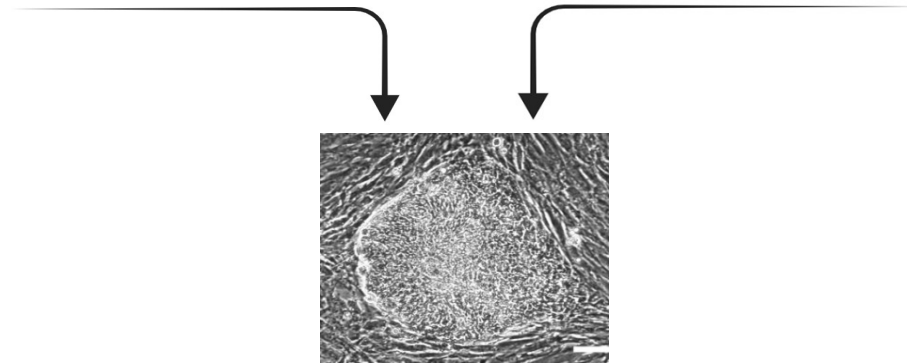


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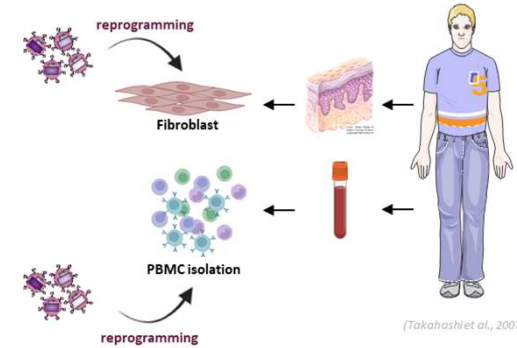


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Nobel prize 2007



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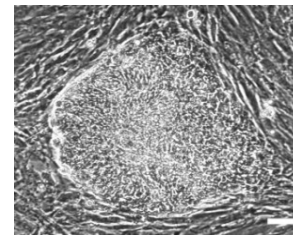
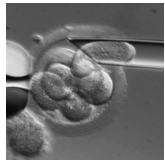
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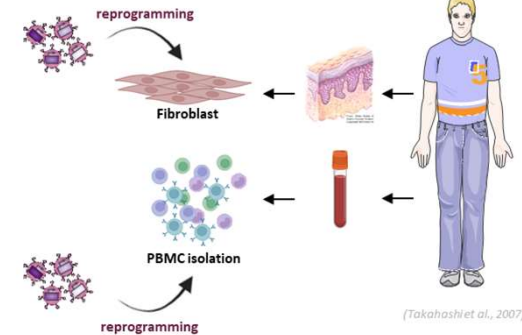
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Cellular Therapy



Disease modeling



Drug Therapy

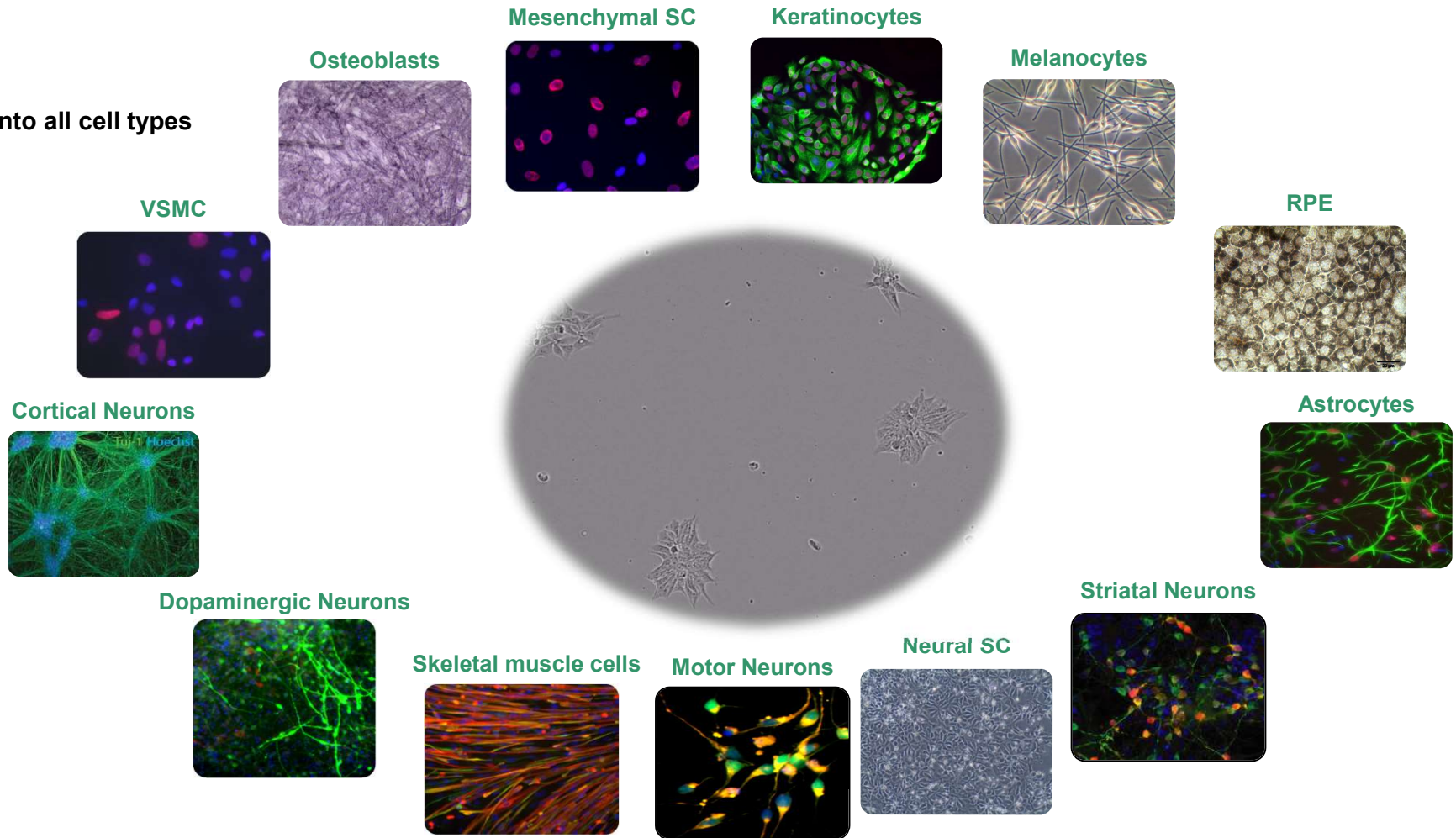




Human pluripotent Stem Cell capacities

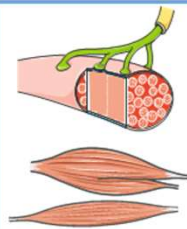
First capacity: Self-renewing

Second capacity: Differentiation into all cell types





Diseases investigated at I-Stem



Neuromuscular diseases

Spinal muscular atrophy (SMA)
Steinert myopathy (DM1)
Duchenne myopathy (DMD)



Limb-girdle muscular dystrophy

Sarcoglycanopathies
Dysferlinopathies



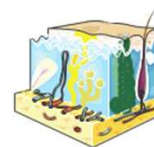
Neurodevelopmental diseases

Autistic syndromes
Lesch Nyhan disease



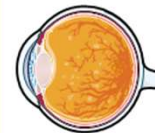
Metabolic diseases

Wolfram syndrome



Genodermatoses

Neurofibromatosis
Epidermolysis bullosa

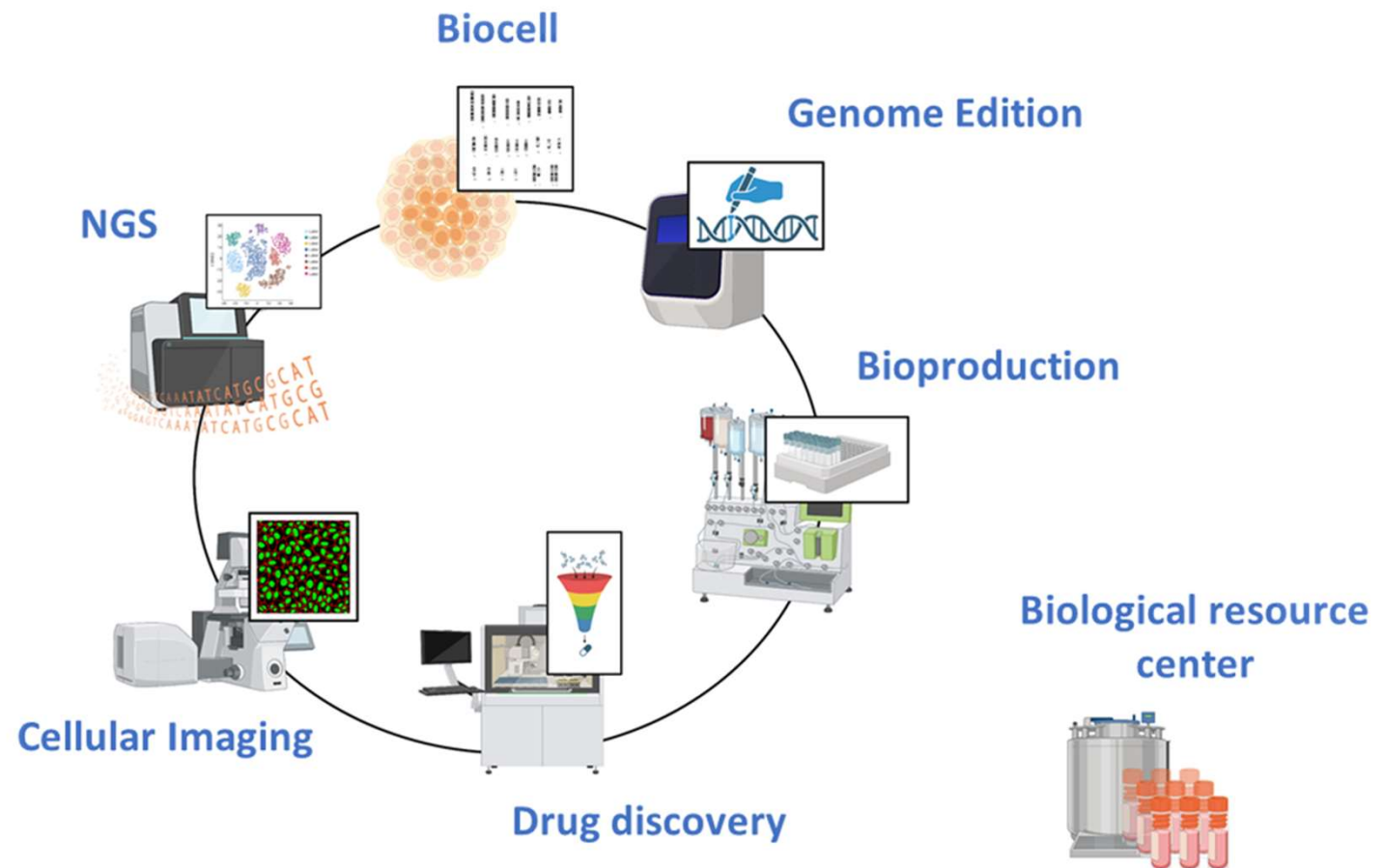


Retinopathies

Retinitis Pigmentosa
Age-related macular degeneration (AMD)
Alström syndrome

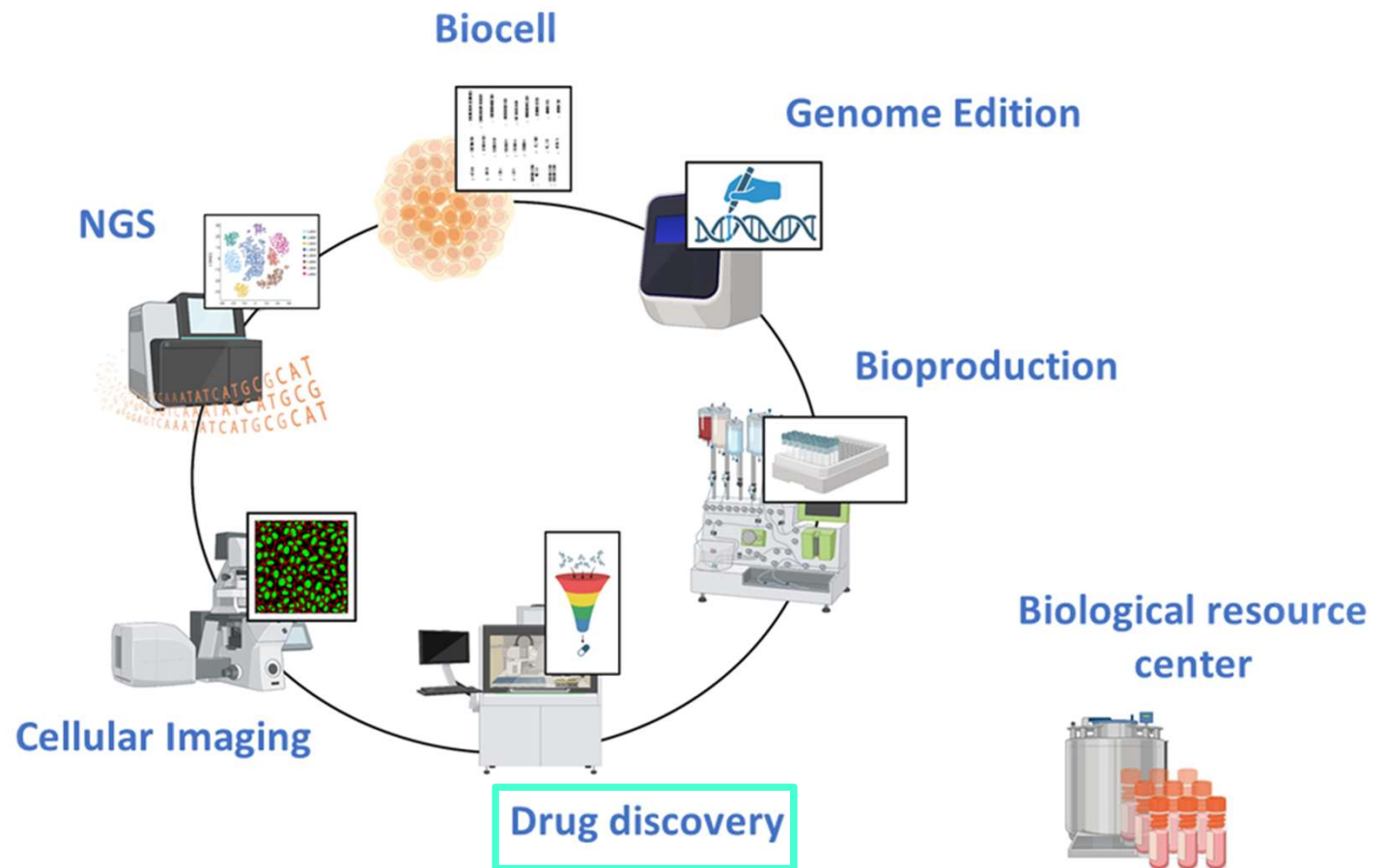
Advanced technologies to support stem cells research

6 domains of expertise



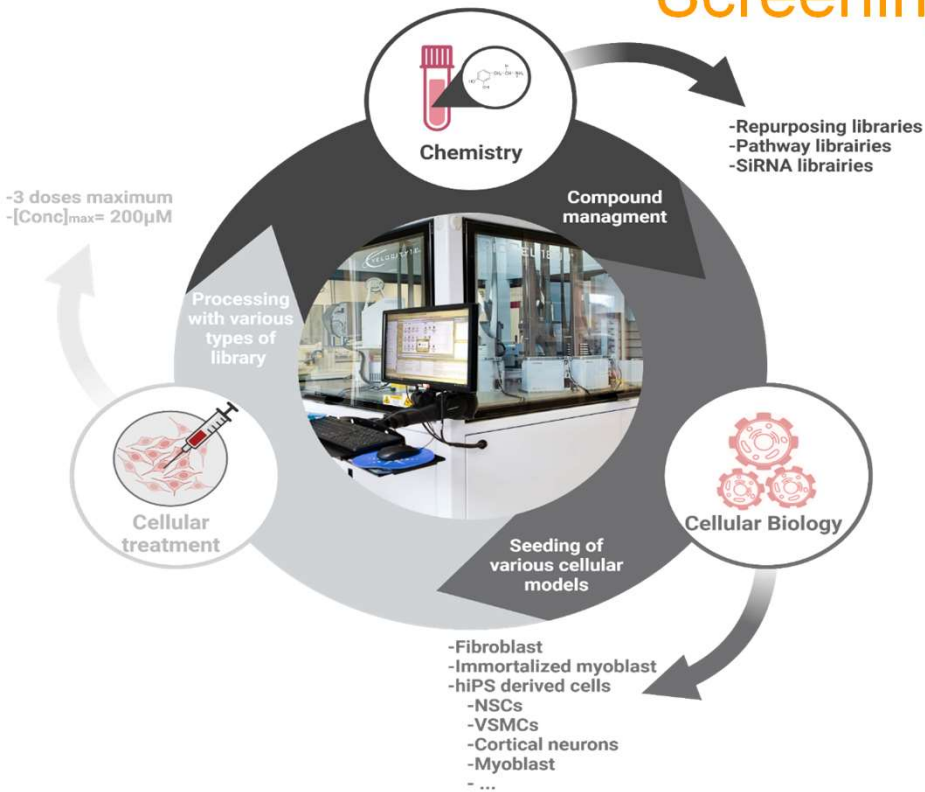
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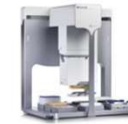




Screening platform organization



Agilent Technologies



Bravo

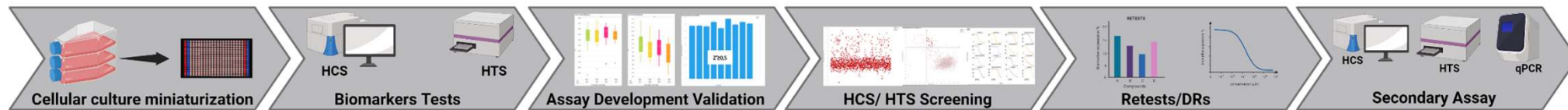


Bravo Benchel



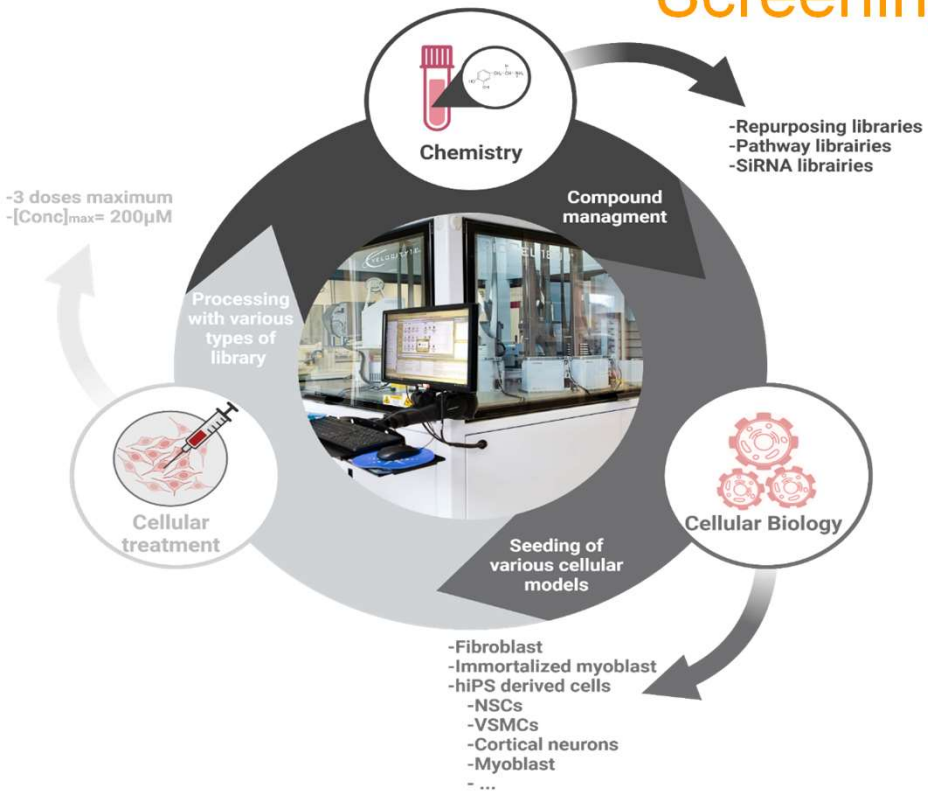
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Screening Workflow





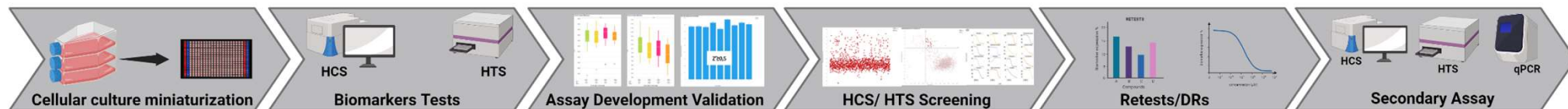
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Collaboration or Service provision

- ✓ 38 screening & 10 pathologies
- ✓ >20 Academic / Industrial Collaborations
(Genethon, Institut Myologie, Marseille Medical Genetics Roche, Servier, Pierre Fabre, Pfizer, Ksilink ...)
- ✓ 10 publications & 2 Clinical Trials

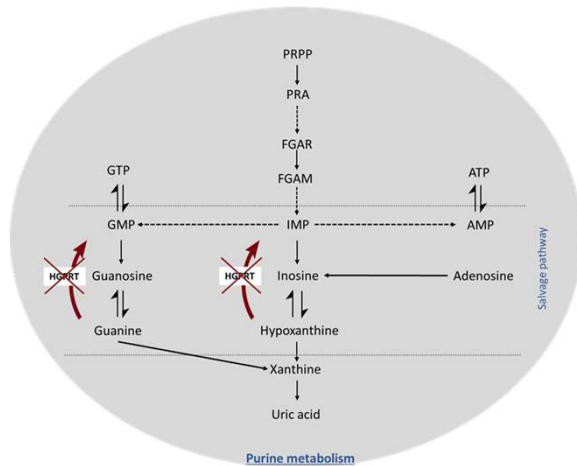
Screening Workflow





Example of an HTS Screening project

Lesch Nyhan disease Project



- Rare inherited disorder of purine synthesis (incidence 1/250,000)
- Mutations in the HPRT gene located on the X chromosome

SYMPTOMS

Progressive neurodevelopmental disease defined by:

- Motor disorders
- Cognitive-behavioral abnormalities
- Background of hyperuricemia



PROJECT OBJECTIVE

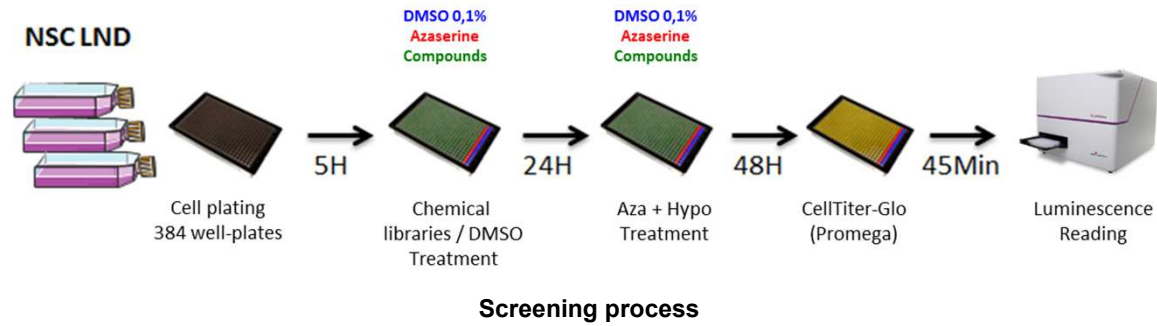
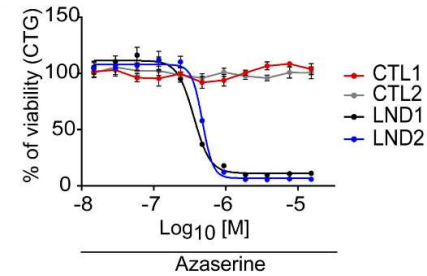
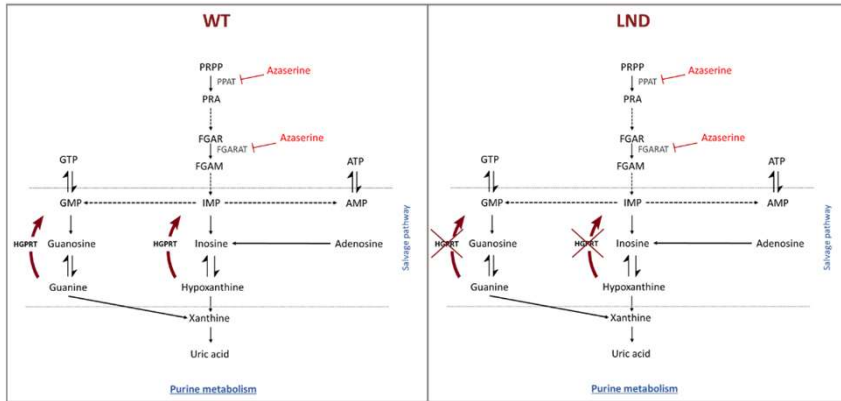
Find compounds that boost purine salvage pathway without activating *de novo* synthesis pathway to prevent the accumulation of uric acid.



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SCREENING STRATEGY

Quantification of viability in neural progenitor cells derived from LND hiPSCs in Azaserine medium that inhibits purine *de novo* synthesis pathway.

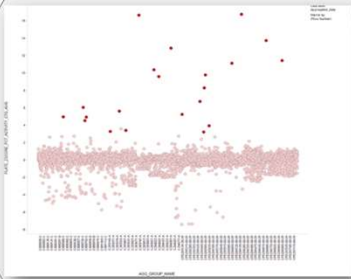




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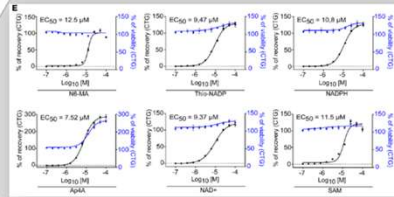
Primary screening

Hit Selection : Zscore > 2 σ



29 hits

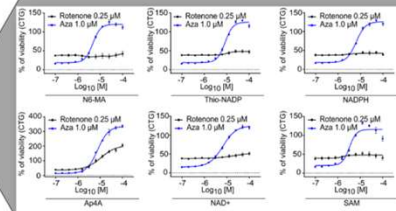
Retests & Dose-Responses



5 hits

Secondary Assays

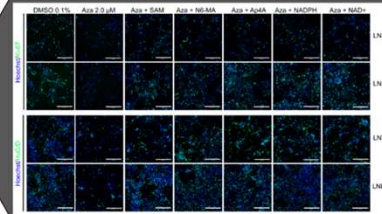
Neuroprotective activity



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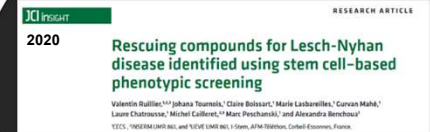
MOA Studies

Compounds restoring LND-relevant neuronal phenotypes



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Valorization



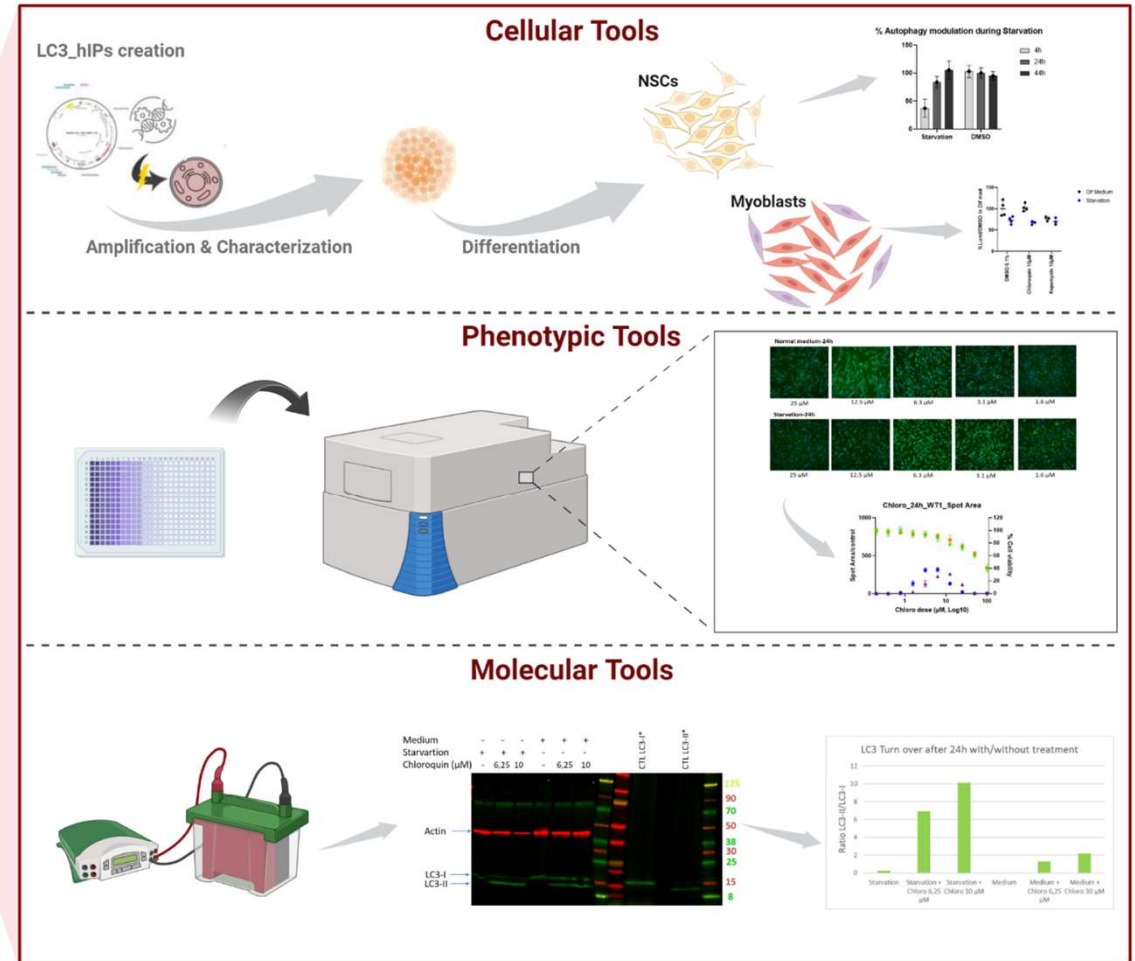
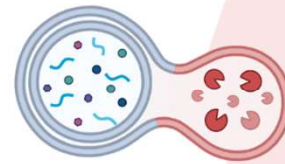


HTS R&D project

DISEASES AFFECTED

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- BPAN (Neurodegenerative disease)
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- DM1 (Muscular dystrophy)
- DNM2 (Centronuclear myopathy)

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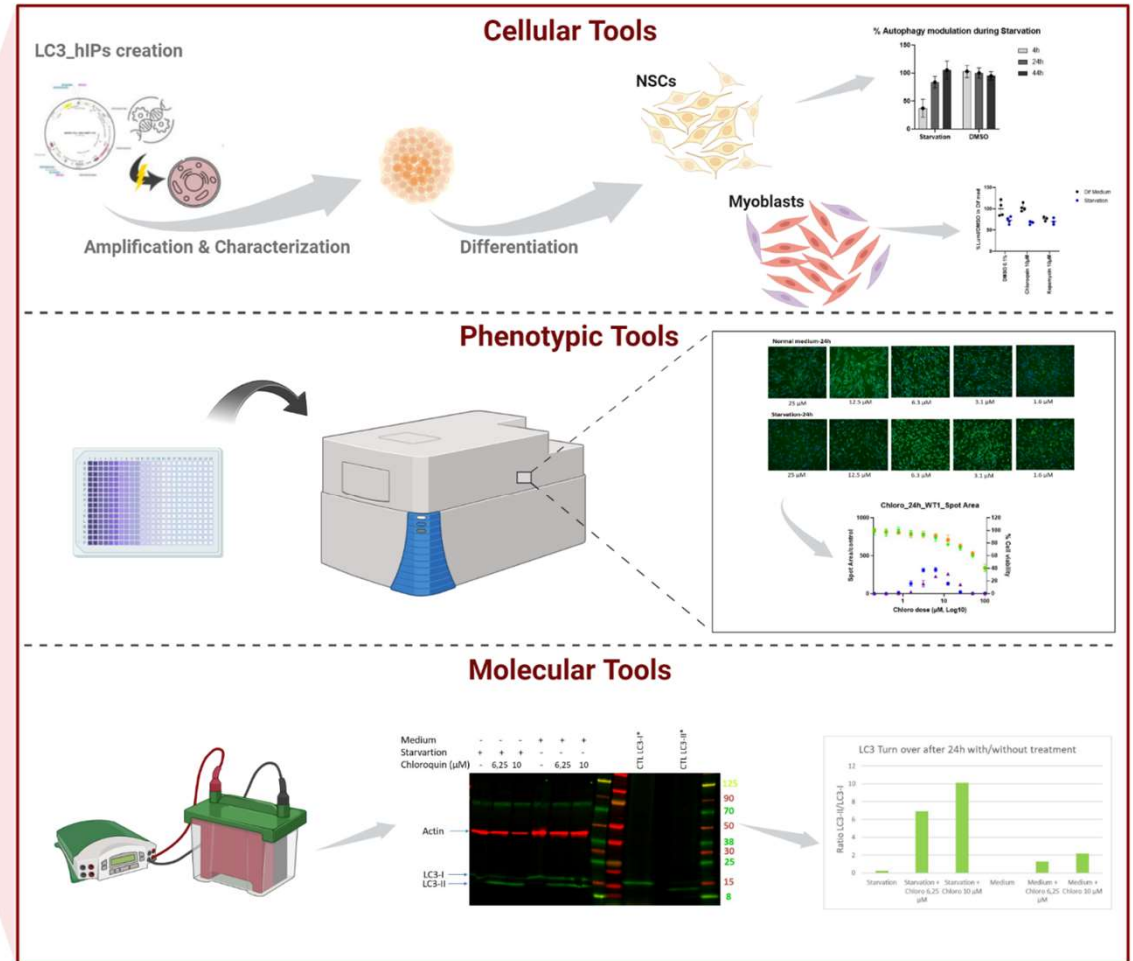
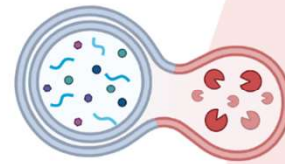
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FUTURE DEVELOPMENT TOOLS

- Lysosomal modulation
 - LAMP1/LAMP2
- Iron modulation
 - Ferritin
 - Transferrin
 - Biotracker

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The Future of I-STEM's screening platform

PRESENT LIMITATIONS:

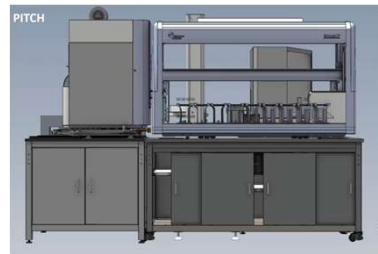
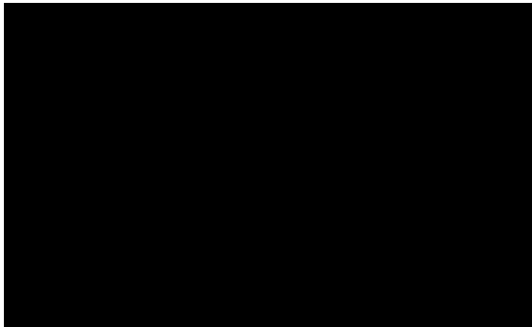
- Number of doses tested in parallel
 - Range of doses that can be tested
- ↪ Impossible to consider DRs and combinatorial screening

➔ Obtaining funding SESAME FILLIERE

The Future of I-STEM's screening platform

PITCH: Plateforme d'Investigation des Thérapeutiques sur Cellules Humaines

-- >The nanodelivery to identifying medicinal molecules



No limitations !

- We can consider
- DRs and combinatorial screening
 - High-throughput implementation of previously costly biomarker quantification technology



Assembly in progress



➤ Operational in June 2024

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